



**Bureau of Indian Education
2010 Summer Youth Leadership Challenge
June 6-12, 2010
Haskell Campus – Lawrence, KS**

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Thank you for your interest in the 2010 Summer Youth Leadership Challenge (SYLC), a program for American Indian high school students. The Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) is sponsoring the program for the second year. The Summer Youth Leadership Challenge will provide a rigorous schedule of events and activities designed to create awareness and improve the knowledge base of participants' in tribal sovereignty, preparing for college and career exploration workshops will also be offered. Applications are available for download after December 15, 2009 from the website: www.haskell.edu

Program dates: The program is scheduled for June 6-12, 2010 at Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, KS. Students are required to participate for the entire program, late arrivals or early departures are not allowed.

Deadline: Applications are to be **received by March 1, 2010 (1st round – priority); and the second round of applications are to be received by March 15, 2010.** All materials must be mailed in one envelope; no faxes are accepted. Applications may be accepted until May 1 (on a space available basis); please contact the office after May 1 to find out if spaces are open.

Application: A completed application consists of the following:

- Student application with essay
- Counselor recommendation
- Teacher recommendation
- **Note: Applications will not be reviewed unless complete**

Cost of program and airfare: There is no cost for on-campus housing, meals, ground transportation, and all materials. Students are responsible for their own transportation to and from the campus, either flying or driving (only parents/guardians/adult family members can drive a student to the program). If flying into Kansas City International Airport, transportation will be provided to and from the airport by BIE Summer Youth Leadership Challenge staff.

Eligibility:

- Be American Indian or Alaska Native **AND** provide Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB) from a federally recognized tribe or letter from tribal official verifying eligibility for tribal membership.
- Be a current 9th, 10th or 11th grade high school student
- Submit a completed application by the established deadlines.

Mail Applications: All materials must be mailed in one envelope to:

Sharon Eagleman
Office of the President
Haskell Indian Nations University
155 Indian Avenue
Lawrence, KS 66046
Phone: 785-749-8489
Email: seagleman@haskell.edu



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APPLICATION CHECK LIST- BIE 2010 SUMMER YOUTH LEADERSHIP CHALLENGE

Thank you for completing the 2010 Summer Youth Leadership Challenge application. We look forward to reviewing your materials. Please note that all materials must be mailed in one envelope. We will not review your application unless it is complete.

The following items are required to complete your application:

- _____ 1. Student Application
 - _____ Application
 - _____ Essay
 - _____ Parent signature for authorization/consent

- _____ 2. Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB) from a federally recognized tribe
 - _____ A copy of official documents are enclosed

- _____ 3. Counselor Recommendation
 - _____ Parent signature to release transcripts, grades
 - _____ Transcript including 1st semester grades

- _____ 4. Teacher Recommendation
 - _____ By teacher in a core academic subject, not an elective course

- _____ 5. Photography/Media release and Use of Internet release form
 - _____ Parent and student signature for authorization/consent

- _____ 6. Received by the deadline dates: **March 1, 2010** (1st round); **March 15, 2010** (2nd round).
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BIE 2010 SUMMER YOUTH LEADERSHIP CHALLENGE STUDENT APPLICATION

Please type or print legibly in black or blue ink.

Mail applications: All materials must be mailed in one envelope to: Sharon Eagleman, Office of the President, Haskell Indian Nations University, 155 Indian Avenue, Lawrence, KS 66046. **Faxes are not accepted.** Applications must be **received** by March 1, 2010 (1st round-priority), or received by March 15, 2010. Applications *may* be accepted until May 1 on a space available basis. Applications cannot be reviewed unless all materials are complete. Questions: 785-749-8489.

Student Information:

Last Name:		First Name:		MI	
Home Phone:		Cell Phone:			
Mailing Address:					
City:		State:		Zip code:	
Email address:					
Birth date:		Grade:		M/F:	Age:

Demographics:

At what tribal nation are you an enrolled member?		Enrollment or CIB#:	
How did you learn about the Youth Leadership Challenge 2010?			
If a person referred you, what is their name?			

School Information:

Name of Current School:		Current Grade:	
Counselor's Name:			
School Address:			
City:		State:	Zip code:
Type of School:	Public Private BIE/BIA Tribal Charter Religious Home School		
Are you a boarding school student: Yes No			

Parent/Guardian Information:

Parental marital status: Never married Married Widowed Separated Divorced
With whom do you make your permanent home? Mother Father Both Legal Guardian Other
If Legal Guardian/Other, what is their relationship to you?



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Mother/Guardian name:					
Check one (based on enrollment/ancestry):		American Indian Alaska Native Other			
At what tribal nation are you an enrolled member?					
Email address:					
Work Phone:		Home Phone:		Cell Phone:	
Mailing Address (if different):					
City:			State:		Zip code:
Occupation/Title:		Name of employer:			
College (if any):			Degree/Year:		

Father/Guardian name:					
Check one (based on enrollment/ancestry):		American Indian Alaska Native Other			
At what tribal nation are you an enrolled member?					
Email address:					
Work Phone:		Home Phone:		Cell Phone:	
Mailing Address (if different):					
City:			State:		Zip code:
Occupation/Title:		Name of employer:			
College (if any):			Degree/Year:		

APPLICATION CONSENT & AUTHORIZATION

The information gathered through this application process will only be used by BIE Summer Youth Leadership Challenge staff members to address the needs of students. The information gathered will kept confidential and will not be released to others or used for other purposes

I verify that the contents of this application are true. I understand that this application is for a leadership program and that the applicant is expected to be in attendance for the entire program (except for any unexpected illness or family emergency). I authorize this application and assume responsibility for transportation and other expenses. I understand that my child will be subject to the rules of the program. In the event of an emergency, I authorize medical treatment as deemed necessary by competent health personnel.

Applicant's signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Emergency Contact: If a parent/guardian can't be reached then BIE 2010 SYLC should contact the following person.

Name: _____ Relation to Student: _____

Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____ Work: _____



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BIE 2010 SYLC STUDENT PERSONAL ESSAY

Attach a 300 word, single-spaced, typed essay introducing yourself. The staff of the Summer Youth Leadership Challenge 2010 would like to learn as much about each individual student as we can. Please feel free to include information about accomplishments you are most proud of, experiences or people who have made a lasting impression on you, what your community is like or hardships you have overcome. Please include how you are connected to your Native community, culture and heritage. Also include why you are applying to the 2010 Summer Youth Leadership Challenge.



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BIE 2010 SYLC COUNSELOR RECOMMENDATION

Student Information

To the Student: Complete this section only, have your parent sign the release, and give this form to your counselor or school official. **Please give this form to your counselor in plenty of time for them to return to you before the March 1 or March 15 receipt deadlines.** An official transcript including your first semester grades for this school year is required for your application to the program.

Student's name _____

Mailing Address _____

Grade: _____

Birth Date: _____

Parent Release: I consent to the release of my child's transcript and school records to the BIE 2010 Summer Youth Leadership Challenge Program.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Counselor or School Official Section

To the Counselor: The above named student is applying for admission to the BIE 2010 Summer Youth Leadership Challenge program. We appreciate your candid evaluation and comments. Please submit this form with academic information **including an official transcript** that also has first semester grades of this school year.

Please return the following information in a sealed envelop with your signature across the flap back to the student. Students must submit all application materials in one envelope to be *received* by March 1, 2010 (first round), March 15, 2010 (second round). Applications may be accepted until May 1 (on a space available basis). If you have any questions, please contact: Sharon Eagleman, 785-749-8489.

Counselor Name:		Title:
School Address:		
Counselor Phone:	Fax:	Email:

Rating & Evaluation:

How long have you known the student and in what role?

Has the student overcome any particular hardships or are there any special circumstances?

What are the student's most notable accomplishments, awards or activities (list no more than 5)?

In what ways are you aware of the student's involvement with their Native heritage, culture, language, and/or tribal community?



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Counselor or School Official Section

Rating and Evaluation

Compared to other students in his/her class year, how do you rate this student in terms of:

No Basis		Below Average (1)	Average (2)	Good - Above Average (3)	Excellent Top 10% (4)	Top 1% - exceptional (5)
	Academic Achievement					
	Extracurricular Accomplishments					
	Personal Qualities & Character					
	Intellectual Promise					
	Quality of Writing					
	Aptitude for Oral Communication					
	Creativity & Original Thought					
	Respect Accorded by Teachers					
	Social Maturity & Responsibility					
	Motivation & Desire to Learn					
	Leadership					
	Concern for Others					
	Self-confidence					
	Initiative, Independence					
	Reaction to Setbacks					
	Integrity					
	Overall potential to succeed in college (both personal and academic)					

Overall recommendation (circle one):

1. Highest (one of this school's best ever)
2. Strong (top 10% of their classmates this year)
3. Positive
4. With reservations (please explain)

Please feel free to provide any additional comments.

Signature _____ Date _____



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BIE 2010 SYLC TEACHER RECOMMENDATION

Student Information

To the Student: Complete this section only and give this form to a teacher who has taught you in an **academic** course (English, math, science, history, etc.). **Please give this form to your teacher in plenty of time for them to return to you before the March 1 or March 15 receipt deadlines.** An official transcript, including your first semester grades of this school year is required for your application to the program.

Student's name _____

Mailing Address _____

Class/Course/Subject Name _____

Teacher Section

To the Teacher: The above named student is applying for admission to the BIE Youth Leadership Challenge 2010 program. We appreciate your candid evaluation and comments. **Please return the following information in a sealed envelop with your signature across the flap back to the student before the deadline.** Students must submit all application materials in one envelope to be received by March 1, 2010 (first round), March 15, 2010 (second round), or applications may be accepted until May 1 (on a space available basis). If you have any questions, please contact: Sharon Eagleman, 785-749-8489

Teacher's Name:	Subject Taught:
School Address:	
Teacher's Phone:	Email:

Background:

How long have you known the student & in what context?

List the courses you have taught this student (including what grade level).

What are the student's greatest strengths and weaknesses/needs?

Has the student overcome any particular hardships or are there any special circumstances you are aware of?

What are the student's most notable achievements academically or personally as demonstrated in your classroom?

In what ways are you aware of the student's involvement with their Native heritage, culture, language, and/or tribal community?

Additional Comments:



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Teacher Section

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	Extracurricular Accomplishments					
	Personal Qualities & Character					
	Intellectual Promise					
	Quality of Writing					
	Aptitude for Oral Communication					
	Creativity & Original Thought					
	Respect Accorded by Teachers					
	Social Maturity & Responsibility					
	Motivation & Desire to Learn					
	Leadership					
	Concern for Others					
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	Overall potential to succeed in college (both personal and academic)					

Overall recommendation (circle one):

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4. With reservations (please explain)

Please feel free to provide any additional comments.

Signature _____ Date _____



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Photography/Media Release

I, hereby grant the BIE 2010 Summer Youth Leadership Challenge and Haskell Indian Nations University, permission to use my picture or image in pictures and/or video in the BIE newsletter and for other purposes, such as advertisements and articles promoting the BIE and Haskell.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Use of Internet

Dear Parent or Guardian:

With your permission your young adult will be able to access the Internet at school as part of their participation in the BIE 2010 Summer Youth Leadership Challenge. Below are the rules for use. Please read before you consider granting permission.

Guidelines for Internet Usage

1. All students must have a signed permission slip from their parents that authorizes them access to the Internet.
2. Respect for the equipment of the school and its network is a condition for use of the computers.
3. Students are to notify the BIE SYLC Staff immediately of any disturbing material they may encounter on the web or in e-mail.
4. Students are not to give out personal information like telephone number, full name, address, etc. to anyone on the Internet.
5. Students are to never give anyone their password to any of their accounts or allow another student to use their account to access the Internet or school network.
6. Students must gain clearance from the BIE SYLC Staff before downloading any programs from the Internet.



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Violation of any of these rules may result in forfeiture of permission to use the Internet and school network and/or appropriate disciplinary action. Please sign below if granting permission and have the entire form returned.

Permission

I _____ give permission for my young adult to access the Internet and publish class-related information on it in accordance with the above guidelines.
(Parent sign here)

_____ Date

I _____ have also read the above and will honor the Guidelines
(Student sign here)

_____ Date